

The Kentucky Department of Education, Pupil Transportation Program, will be sponsoring the 2017 State School Bus Safety Poster Contest. The contest will be open from September 1, 2016 to May 1, 2017. Please see the link below for contest rules and information.

All students enrolled in elementary or middle school (plus high school for Division 4 and 5 only), may participate. A **local selection committee, to include the transportation department,** established in each school system or district shall select from all local applicants a finalist whose **application must be postmarked to the Kentucky Department of Education, Pupil Transportation, no later than May 1, 2017.** Only **one** poster for each category from each school system or district will be judged at state level. The poster **must** have the 2017 theme "My Driver - My Safety Hero!" to qualify. Applications shall not be submitted to the state by student applicants. Posters will not be returned.

The posters will be reviewed for eligibility and will be voted on by the attendees of the transportation conferences held by Student Transportation Association of Kentucky and Kentucky Association for Pupil Transportation.

The winners of each category will be sent to the National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT) National Contest. The winner will be chosen during the NAPT Conference and Trade Show and used to promote the 2018 National School Bus Safety Week.

KDE will be accepting posters which comply with the National School Bus Safety Poster Contest Rules. These can be found on the NAPT website at <http://napt.org/resources/national-school-bus-safety-week.php>.

Thank you for your participation.

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All entries should be mailed to:

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